

A free, responsible and aggressive Press is democracy's first line of defense



How long-term friend of Governor Murray D. Van Wagoner happened to become the press secretary for Governor Harry F. Kelly...

But to return to Governor Kelly's press secretary. One spring day, after serving 18 years as city editor...

Somehow in the rush of doing unimportant things at Lansing, we lost track of Ted until we read the news, late in 1942...

When the general Van Wagoner turned over the executive office to Harry Kelly, the newsmen at the press room wondered what "Luke" was going to do...

When the governor's office finally got around to settling on the agency, after Pete Miller of Plymouth had done some pinching...

Ted took over, cool as ever, never flinching an eye. He had been accepted as being both an efficient newspaperman and a loyal Democrat...

Following the rush of the 1944 special session, Governor Kelly took Ted to lunch at the Upper Peninsula. At the office of an Inwood newspaper, Ted confided...

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Go To It! Gentlemen

"Decent self-government in action" may well be the title of the dramatic play being conducted in Lansing...

This action is the first in a good many years in which Michigan's legislative body has been under such investigation...

Judge Carr and Mr. Sigler have, thus far, surmounted plenty of hurdles before doing the astounding...

Personally, this newspaper is of the belief that this Carr grand jury is going to be in session for a long, long time...

You are on the side of God himself... and you can't lose.

It Is Ridiculous...

It is ridiculous to suppose that this great country can be trusted to hold its own in a world geared for war...

If you were living in Germany, you'd never write a letter of criticism to Hitler...

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Blessing to Soldiers and Sailors, Coming home when the war is over, will not like to read Business stories about the huge profits that some contractors made out of the war.

It will be a good thing for the American way if the heaviest business reformation arrange it so that the service men will not read of millionaires created by war contracts.

If business men haven't sense enough to see this, it may be possible for proper renegotiation of contracts to arrange matters for them.

Helping Hitler's Hope

hasing their present calculations on the optimistic weakness of conditions. They believe that if they prolong the fight...

There will be no contest for the several city offices at the annual election here April 3. Birmingham is a quiet, peaceful home-like community...

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WAR FUND Your RED CROSS is at his side

People's Column

WARNING TO PARENTS Children in the vicinity of our home are in the habit of playing in our yard in the river. They are in danger while doing these things...

O. BUCKERIDGE, 507 Brookside, Corner of Ravine, P.S.—Have tried five contractors in an effort to get the bridge repaired...

To the Editor— I wish to appeal to the people of Oakland County to provide foster homes for dependent children.

Through the War has brought prosperity to our families, it has increased the number of children who depend on the County for care and support.

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To the Editor— With all the many civilians who went out of their way to give me help and encouragement, my work in writing me in care of the Women's Army Corps in the north of Detroit would have been very difficult.

Even though I have been transferred to the U.S. Army, I want you to know that I have not forgotten your kindness and do thank you very much.

Birmingham Asked To Redouble Drive For Waste Paper Birmingham residents and businessmen are asked to redouble their efforts to save and conserve paper.

W. A. D. John, chairman of the Birmingham Waste Paper Campaign, today pointed out that each 100 pounds of waste paper will make 11 protective bands for 1,000 pound bombs.

100 Protective bands for 1,000 pound bombs. 20 Protective bands for 250 pound bombs. 50 Cans for 75mm. shells. 50 V-boxes for food and equipment.

100 Cans for average size shells. 100 Pin locknut protectors for bombs. 200 Containers for field rations. 200 Containers for blood plasma.

150 Cartons for U. S. Army K rations. 1,476 Boxes for emergency life boat rations. 2,044 Cartons containing one life preserver light.

2,914 Cartons containing ten cartridges for individual use. "All kinds of paper that comes into the home—old newspapers and magazines, paper cartons and wrappers, and waste basket paper— are needed immediately as a raw material for the manufacture of these essential war items."

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Don't Stay Out There Too Long, Tom



through Sept. 30; all have value of 10 dollars for each unit. All change making coupons and reserve coupons good through heating year.

RATIONING AT A GLANCE

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SALVAGE MEMO TIN CANS—Rinse after using, remove label, open bottom and flatten with foot. Place as curb for last City collection day of the month.

WASTE FATS—Strain and keep cool. Turn in to your meat market when you have a few pounds. Rancid fats not wanted.

SCRAP METALS, GLASS, RUBBER—Leave in bin near Post Office or put in curb on your last City collection day of the month.

NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES, SCRAP PAPER—Pick-up of these may be arranged for by calling the Waste Dept. at the Municipal Building.

PECK'S Cash and Carry Sole, Topcoats, \$1.09 Plain Dresses, \$1.99 CLEANED AND PRESERVED Delivered Phone 2320 WOODWARD—NEAR MAPLE

Pay By Check! Cancelled checks afford the safety of a receipt for each bill paid—and your check stubs detail each expenditure. Open a Pay-As-You-Go Checking Account with as little as \$1.00. No minimum balance required.

TICKLERS BY HAYES

WOOD CANYON

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THE ECCENTRIC'S Camera Corner

Of course you want prints to send to those in the Service, so in order to get a sharp picture, focus carefully, measuring your distance from close-up; then your prints will be much more pleasing.

PHOTOGRAPHY and careful focusing can do a lot to improve the quality of your pictures. Once you understand a few simple tricks of focus control, you can take pictures with a great deal more confidence, and be sure of getting sharpness where you want it.

Suppose, however, there are two or more subjects at different distances, as in the picture which accompanies this article. Then you compromise by setting the focus somewhat beyond the nearest subject. In the picture shown here, the photographer focused on the kind of camera used in the picture, referring to the depth-of-field scale in his camera instruction book, he selected the lens-opening that would just cover the subject at the chosen focus setting.

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